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## **RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 U. S. A.

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 25, 2006 in connection with the aboveidentified patent application, please consider the following amendment and remarks. A Petition for a one-month extension of time is being filed concurrently.

## AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

## **REMARKS**

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.